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Sun Spots

Christmas Bazaar
The Ladies Ministries of Good Shepherd Church of God will be holding their annual Christmas Bazaar, Bake Sale and Salad Luncheon on November 13 at 1800 Bacon Point Road, Pahokee. The Bazaar and Bake Sale events begin at 9 a.m. The Salad Luncheon will be served from 11 a.m. until 1 p.m.

There will be many baked goods, crafts and other delicious goodies from which to choose. The Ladies Ministries invites the public to attend.

West Tech hosts open house

An open house to introduce the public to the "New West Tech" will be held Wednesday, November 17 from 6:30 to 9 p.m.

West Technical Education Center is in its first year of a three year transition period converting to a high school. Currently, West Tech enrolls 55 full time ninth graders who participate in one of three career academies. A new class of ninth graders will be welcomed and three additional academies will be offered for the next school year.

Tours of West Tech's facilities are scheduled during the open house and refreshments will be served. The public is invited to attend.

For more information call 996-4930.

Revival Services

Everyone is invited to attend Revival Services on Nov. 12-14, Friday-Sunday at 7 p.m. and on Sunday morning at 10:30 a.m. at the Community Fellowship Church of God of Prophecy.

Rev. Elwood Matthews, former International Television and Radio Minister for the Churches of God of Prophecy will be the guest speaker. His wife, Roberta Matthews, a recording artist, will be singing in each service.

Pastor Rev. Jean Ingram invites the public to attend. The church is located at 601 S.E. 12th Street, S.R. 880, Belle Glade.

For more information please call 996-5054.

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Saturday, Nov. 13, 1999, Zipper's Space Games 7 at the Pahokee Airport on Saturday, Nov. 13. See page 5 for a complete story and more photos.

Photo courtesy of SkyDive America/PPB

Two Red Cross workers assist in rescue

A family from the Glades area was thankful when two Red Cross workers happened to be at the right place at the right time Sunday, Nov. 11 when they needed help.

The Quinn family from the Sarasota Chapter of the American Red Cross was driving on State Road 27 just north of John Stretch Park when a car in front of them spun out of control and landed

in a canal. Mrs. Elaine Quinn immediately called 9-1-1 and her husband, Ron, still dressed in his Red Cross disaster uniform, jumped into the canal to help.

Fortunately there were no fatalities. The Quinns consider this all in a day's work. They have worked for the American Red Cross for a few years out of the Sarasota Chapter. Elaine and Ron were on assignment in

the canal to assist with Hurricane Irene efforts in the South Bay Branch of the Palm Beach County Chapter of the American Red Cross.

After the accident was under control, the Quinns continued to drive home to Sarasota for a few days' rest until they get another call for assistance.

The names of the victims in the accident were not available.

Baby seriously insured after mother leaves him unattended

By Debra Miller

Staff Reporter

A 10-month-old baby was seriously injured Tuesday, November 2 when he fell down a flight of stairs in his walker.

According to the Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office and the South Bay Public Safety Department, Detective Senzina responded to 275 NW 10th Ave in South Bay to investigate a reported accidental injury to a child.

On arrival medical personnel and units from South Bay

Police Department discovered a child at the bottom of the stairs.

The investigation revealed the boy was on the second floor walkway of the apartment building in a walker. According to police, the baby and his 4-year-old brother had been placed outside the apartment unsupervised by their mother, Tina Curry while she was cooking supper.

The 4-year-old went down stairs and was apparently followed by the baby in the

walker.

A witness saw the child in the walker as it tumbled down 14 stairs to the ground level. The child was airlifted to St. Mary's Medical Center in West Palm Beach where he is listed in critical but stable in the pediatric intensive care unit with head injuries.

The incident is still under investigation by the Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office and no charges have been filed against the mother as of press time.

A Kids' Kormer will be offered

throughout the day and the Wyatt Earp Wild West Show will also be free.

Parking is available nearby.

For more information, please call the Pahokee Chamber of Commerce at 924-5579.

Sludge being spread on over 50 sites in Okeechobee

By Twila Valentine

This is the second in a series on the land spreading of residuals from sewage treatment plants and septic tanks from septic tanks. This question has recently been raised by some local landowners about whether or not the amount of residuals that are being spread are contributing to the increase in phosphorus in the runoff from ranch lands and more importantly what types of pollutants may be contained in the material, and is it a threat to the public health.

The first problem encountered is the lack of data. There is little data on the sewage sludge and none on septic. Little or no information is currently required under local, state or federal laws, other than treated sewage sludge meets risk-based limits established by the federal Environmental Protection Agency in 1993.

According to the Florida

Department of Environmental Protection, which regulates the residuals at the present time, land spreading is permitted at eight sites in Okeechobee County, and one of those discharges its runoff into the St. John's Water Management District drainage basin.

The Okeechobee County Health Department, which regulates the permitting for septic haulers, estimates there are some 57 sites in Okeechobee County where septic is being land spread.

As we will see later, there are provisions governing the beneficial use of residuals that is, treated sewage sludge.

Residuals are classified and regulated according to the level of treatment provided for pathogen and vector attraction reduction. They are classified as either "Class A" or "Class B" for pathogen reduction. The state regulation further defines residuals as "Class AA" if they have received the highest

degree of treatment for pathogen reduction and also meet the most stringent pollution limits.

According to a August memorandum within the Florida Department of Environmental Regulation, what is currently known about not only domestic wastewater residuals, but also about poultry litter, which is not regulated by any local, state or federal agency, was summarized, along with some recommendations based on available information.

In 1998, in the Lake Okeechobee basin, approximately 15,386 dry tons of Class B residuals were land applied to approved agricultural sites and it is estimated that around 41,681 dry tons of Class AA residuals were applied to land within the basin. This results in an estimated Total Phosphorus (TP) loading of 354 dry tons from Class B residuals and 749 dry tons from Class AA residuals.

It is estimated that the Class B residuals were applied over approximately 5,000 acres and primarily used on pasture grasses such as bahia. Residuals are regulated by both the state and federal government.

Approximately 19,360 dry tons of poultry litter and manure is currently land applied in the basin. Application rates vary from 3 to 10 tons per acre per year, which affects between 1,963 and 6,548 acres. The phosphorus loading associated with this source of nutrients was estimated to be 382 dry tons. Most of the poultry waste is used as "organically grown" citrus while some is used on improved pasture. There is also increasing interest in use for sugar cane production. Poultry litter is currently not regulated by either the state or the federal government.

How much of this 1,485 tons of phosphorus was utilized by

plants and how much ended up running off in rainfall discharge is something that no one can tell since no records have been kept nor data collected on the effects of land spreading residuals or poultry litter.

The report basically continues to support the use of residuals as evidenced in one paragraph discussing the background on land spreading.

"The department encourages the beneficial use of residuals in accordance with Section 403.202, Florida Statutes, which directs the department to promote the reduction, recycling, reuse, and treatment of solid waste, including residuals. Florida produces an estimated 253,000 dry tons of domestic wastewater residuals annually of which approximately 75 percent is beneficially used either by being distributed and being marketed as Class AA residuals.

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Tips help dieters avoid holiday weight gain



Halloween is over, and now those dieters who managed to overcome the candy before the trick-or-treaters arrived face an even tougher challenge. November brings the Thanksgiving-Christmas-New Year's party season. For many weight-conscious Americans, that means trouble.

Here are a few tips to help avoid weight gain over the holiday season.

* Don't skip meals. With so much to do during the holiday season, the shopping, the bak-

ing, the decorating, it can be hard to make time for nutritious meals. The problem is skipping regular meals can lead to snacking on junk food and all the high-calorie holiday treats around. If you've skipped a meal, it's easy to rationalize giving in to the urge to snack. Skipping a sensible and nutritious dinner that would have contained about 500 calories can lead to snacking on chips, dip and cookies that contain about 1000 calories.

* Drink lots of water. Sometimes, "hunger pains" are caused by thirst.

* If you feel hungry, drink a glass of water and wait a few minutes before you eat anything.

* Eat before you go shopping, especially if you are shopping for food.

If you're hungry, you are

more likely to make impulse buys and then you'll have the extra food at home to tempt you.

* If you're going to a party where a buffet will be served, eat a salad with fat-free dressing before you go. It will take the edge off your appetite.

* At a buffet, use the smallest plate available. This will give you the psychological advantage of holding a "full plate" without giving you too much chance to overeat.

* If you plan to entertain at home, provide low-fat choices along with traditional holiday fare.

* Remember there are lots of calories in alcohol. Limit consumption of alcoholic beverages.

* Get plenty of exercise. It will boost your energy level and help burn calories.

* Allow yourself small servings of your favorite holiday foods. If you deprive yourself of

dishes that are only available once a year, you may later compensate by overeating something else.

* If you do overeat, don't let it ruin the whole holiday season. Forgive yourself and start back on a sensible eating plan the next day.

Health tips in the news

Does your child sleep with a nightlight? If so, it could increase his chances of wearing glasses later in life. Recent research indicates that children who sleep in a dimly lit room wake up during the night and strain their eyes trying to focus.

Those who sleep in darkness may also wake up, but don't suffer from the eyestrain problem.

If you have young children at home, make sure no one is

smoking cigarettes around them. Children under age three who are regularly exposed to second-hand cigarette smoke have twice as many ear infections as children who grow up in smoke-free environments.

Are you drinking enough water? Those who regularly read this column know how important water is to maintain good health and lose weight.

Now, new research at the University of Washington in Seattle indicates drinking eight glasses of water a day can reduce the risk of cancer, reduce the chance of developing kidney stone and improve brain function.

Don't wait until you are thirsty to drink water. When you feel thirsty, you are already dehydrating.

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first (and the most important steps) in enabling your body to stay alive here on earth. Imagine how long a cow or panther or dog or alligator would stay alive without their teeth. Not too long. They'd die of starvation and malnutrition. That gives you an idea of just how important teeth are to be able to live a long, healthy life.

God was especially smart the day he designed your teeth. They thoroughly prepare your food (nutrition) so that your body can use it and stay alive. It is a fact that people who have lost their teeth have a shorter lifespan than those who keep their teeth.

And the key to keeping teeth or whole lifetime (and having lower dental-bills) is to take care of your gums. Imagine buying a brand new pick

up truck, and never changing the oil, or checking the water level, getting a tune-up or checking the air pressure in the tires. How long will that truck last you? Not too long.

So it is with your teeth. They won't give you years of care-free service without a little of the right kind of care given to them. Come into my office and I will let you in on perhaps one of the biggest "Secrets" to keep your dental bills down. And it will only cost you about \$2.67 at Winn Dixie or U-Save, and a few minutes a day.

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Dr. Inge Ford

It costs so much!

One of the most common things I hear from patients is that dentistry costs so much. It's certainly more than a video rental from Movie Gallery and a pizza from Pizza Hut. But, a lot less than a 4-wheel drive sports utility vehicle.

But, all kidding aside, God designed your teeth to be the

Seniors can relax when seeing the dentist

In cooperation with the Florida Dental Association, Gov. Jeb Bush proclaimed Nov. 14-20 as Senior Dental Health Awareness Week. The FDA sponsors this annual event to help improve dental health care among Florida's older adults. About 20 percent of Florida's population are 65 or older.

In the past, dental instruments and procedures cause anxiety and kept many seniors from visiting the dentist. But high-technology offers options that may make seniors more comfortable during

dental visits.

Air-driven drills are quiet, fast and precise. They require less heat and vibrate less, so many patients don't need anesthesia. Dental lasers use a beam of highly concentrated light and may be helpful in procedures like gum surgery.

Computer-Assisted Design/Computer-Assisted Machines also offer comfort and convenience. CAD/CAMs also allow patients to avoid temporary fillings and extra trips to the dentist. Other advances include the intra-oral video camera, composite-resin

fillings and sealants.

Seniors should ask their dentist for more details on these and other advances that may make visiting the dentist more pleasant.

With a membership of almost 6,500 licensed dentists, the Florida Dental Association represents about 78 percent of all Florida licensed dentists. The FDA's mission is to improve the public's health through professional and patient education and by maintaining high practice standards.

ER Chronicles: But, Daddy, You Could Die!



By Arlen R. Stauffer, MD
Michael was getting nervous now. He'd suffered with this emphysema for several years, but today it seemed different.

That little "cold" he'd come down with last week had dropped down into his lungs, and his breathing was getting worse and worse. The wheezes spewing out of his mouth with each breath sounded from down the road.

The physical work of getting each breath in and out of his chest was becoming overwhelming for Michael.

He couldn't take it anymore, and he reached for the phone to call his daughter. Michael needed help. He was scared.

Emergency physician Tammy Cortez was tolerating another hectic day at the Oceans Hospital ER. All the rooms were full. The Physician's Assistant that was helping her today had been tied up in the Suture Room for an hour, cleaning and sewing up some ragged oyster shell cuts on the legs of a 13-year-old girl.

With the PA occupied on the oyster shell case, several other patients were stuck waiting, and it was not surprising that several sighs were heard when the paramedic's voice broke over the ER radio. Here would be another patient.

"Hi. Medic 612 here. We're about five minutes out with an 81-year-old man with COPD. He's quite short of breath today, but he has no chest pain or fever. His Oxygen Saturation was only 82% when we arrived."

There was a tone of concern in the paramedic's voice as she continued, "He looks pretty bad, but he's not sure if he will let me intubate him. He's still alert, but I think he might tire out and quit breathing if I don't tube him. Be there in a couple minutes."

Cortez heard the report as she stepped near the radio on her way to see a man with chest pain. She shook her head slowly back and forth, and looked up in time to see Phil preparing an ER bed for this new patient. Phil had been an

emergency nurse for several years; he knew the drill.

Michael's daughter arrived at the ER just before the ambulance pulled up, and was waiting with the ER team as the stretcher was wheeled in.

"He's always said that he never want to be put on a machine," she said to Cortez while wringing her hands and cramping her neck to get a glimpse of her father on the stretcher.

"Let's just wait and see what he looks like," Cortez responded.

A plastic mask covered Michael's nose and mouth, and the aerosol mist that contained the paramedic's albuterol medicine rolled out from under its edges.

Michael's color was gray, there was sweat on his brow, and his eyes were no longer wide open with excitement. He looked tired. He reached up slowly to take his daughter's hand.

Phil was connecting the heart monitor to Michael's torso, and attaching the oxygen saturation monitor to a finger.

"Let's get another aerosol treatment going," Cortez said quickly. "And add some Atrovent to this one."

A Respiratory Therapist poured the medication into the plastic container, and connected it to Michael's mask again.

"Phil, give him 125 milligrams of Solu-Medrol in the IV line."

Phil, anticipating this order, had already drawn up the steroid medication before Michael had arrived, and now pushed it into Michael's vein.

After a quick examination, Cortez knew there would not be much time to talk.

"Michael, your lungs have really tightened up. Your emphysema is pretty bad today, so you may not be able to handle the breathing on your own without the help of a tube down into your lungs and being hooked up to a breathing machine."

Cortez paused to let this sink in. Michael, with a determined look in his eyes, responded. "No! No machines."

But, "Daddy," his daughter said, leaning in front of his pale-gray face, "the doctor doesn't think you can stay alive this way." Her voice trembled; she squeezed her father's cool hand.

"No! I signed those papers!"

he gasped. Cortez touched the woman's arm, and motioned for her to retreat to the corner of the room.

"Did he say 'Do Not Resuscitate' papers?"

"Yes," she said, and reluctantly pulled the forms from her purse. "Ever since he was on a ventilator machine last year, he said he would never do that again. It took a month to get him off of that machine."

From across the room, Phil called to Cortez. "His Oxygen Sat is still only 86%."

Cortez nodded, and returned to the bedside.

"Michael, this is pretty complicated. I know you have signed DNR papers. But, you should know that this episode may just be temporary." Cortez looked him straight in the eyes, then asked several general questions to be sure Michael knew what he was requesting. Satisfied that he was of sound mind, she continued. "It may be that you'd only have to be on the machine for a few days."

"No!" Michael reached up and gripped Cortez's left hand. "I told everyone that I never will be on that machine again!"

"But, Daddy, you could die!!!"

"I'm ready," Michael said softly, almost peacefully.

"There's another type of mask we can try, Michael," Cortez said. "It fits tightly over your face, and kind of helps push the oxygen in."

"No, Doc. Thanks for trying," Michael responded. "But no."

Michael's eyelids seemed heavier now.

The Respiratory Therapist handled the repeat Arterial Blood Gas results to Cortez.

"Are you sure, Michael?" Cortez asked, noting that the numbers on the ABG slip were a little worse than the levels she saw when he had arrived at the ER.

"Yes." Michael closed his eyes.

"But," his daughter began. Cortez interrupted her by touching her shoulder. The two of them retreated to the other corner of the room again.

"Is that the right thing to do?" she said as her frantic eyes looked for direction from the emergency physician.

Cortez took a deep breath.

Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease (COPD) is a common problem treated in

emergency departments. While up to 20 percent of American males have some degree of COPD - either the emphysema, or the chronic bronchitis forms - only a small number of these people become symptomatic.

While cigarette smoking is the most important predisposing factor in the development of COPD, other factors, such as air pollution and work-related exposures, may also contribute to its formation. Familial and genetic factors may also play a role.

The central problem in COPD is the impedance to airflow, particularly the airflow during expiration. Exacerbations of emphysema can lead to respiratory failure. There is a mortality rate of 30% in COPD patients who suffer respiratory failure and require hospitalization. In the survivors, there may be significant lifestyle changes necessitated by their lung disease and its consequent shortness of breath.

Every day, emergency physicians must make the tough choices about life support machines, taking into account the desires of patients, family members, and health care surrogates, while balancing these against current law, threats of legal action, ethical responsibilities, and the conduct the physician believes is just plain best for the patient.

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Editor's note: We received no Speak Out calls this week. Our lines were being repaired earlier last week. If you called and were unable to get through, please try again!

If you have burial insurance - beware!

By Bill Nelson
State Treasurer
and Insurance Commissioner

As you read this, there are thousands and thousands of people in Florida who may be overpaying for their life insurance - specifically for small-value policies that seem to have modest premiums.

In fact, many of these policyholders don't know, and likely weren't told, that over their normal life times those premiums could far exceed the face value of their policies.

Hundreds of thousands of Floridians may be in this boat, because they were sold industrial life insurance policies, sometimes called burial insurance. This kind of policy - typically worth \$1,000 or less - generates big profits for insurance companies, but has little or no benefit for policyholders.

For the past two years, we have fought hard for tougher regulations of so-called burial insurance. This past March, we held a public hearing in Tallahassee and heard from consumers who said they were misled or misinformed if the purchase of burial policies.

Still, the insurance industry lobbyists killed our reforms in the Legislature.

For the problem in a nutshell, consider the stories of just two women:

An African-American woman, now 85 and a quadriplegic, was sold 21 industrial life insurance policies between 1967 and 1976. Among other things, she says her insurer used the cash value from at least one of her policies to pay premiums on other ones, without her knowledge.

Another woman, now 70, was sold several 1,000 burial policies between 1964 and 1985. To

date, she has paid \$4,700 in premiums on three policies that together are worth only \$3,000 upon her death.

In recent months, I have heard similar stories from consumers across the state. That's why, in October, I initiated an investigation of burial insurance and other similar small-value products. I believe several issues warrant this investigation, among them:

- The fact that premiums paid may surpass the face amount of the policy;
- The fact that some companies significantly lowered costs by changing from home collections to billing through the mail, but may not have passed any savings on to consumers; and,
- The fact that there may have been discriminatory activity with respect to industrial life insurance and similar policies, as companies targeted low-income and minorities.

Additionally, we have, again, filed legislation aimed at banning industrial life insurance and, more importantly, requiring that companies annually disclose to policyholders the total premiums paid, cash value, and death benefits under the policy.

With your support, lawmakers in Tallahassee may get the message this coming legislative session. I hope so.

Meantime, we've produced a brochure to provide useful information to help consumers who may have purchased industrial life insurance. The brochure is free and can be obtained by calling the Florida Department of Insurance toll-free at 1-800-342-2762.

Bill Nelson is Florida's Treasurer, Insurance Commissioner and State Fire Marshal.

Editors note: The POLICE NEWS in this newspaper lists arrests, not convictions, unless otherwise stated. Arrested persons who later are found not guilty or have had the charges against them dropped are welcome to let us know. We will confirm the information and print it.

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"YOUR FACE LOOKS FAMILIAR... BUT FOR THE LIFE OF ME, I CAN'T REMEMBER YOUR NAME."

Letter to the Editor

Two men in Pahokee were answer to prayers

Dear Editor:

It was immediately after Hurricane Irene and many of us were still without electricity. We had been told here in Pahokee to boil our water as a precaution.

All was in chaos when out of the blue came a telephone call from Glen Southern Oil.

Mr. Glen Carrick and Mr. Larry Wright had decided on their own that they wanted to help the most needy and so they themselves took the initiative to call St. Mary's and me, the priest, to see if they could offer their specialty to my people. And what was their specialty? Well, anyone who has ever had one of Mr. Carrick and Mr. Wright's barbecued chicken knows how delicious they are.

They asked me how many people might come to be fed. My answer was 250.

So, on the Sunday following the hurricane, Mr. Carrick got up early in the morning and began cooking for 250 people of a different faith and

tongue and Mr. Wright prepared each plate with rice and black beans because he knew Hispanic migrant workers would love that type of food.

So, after my noon Mass on the Sunday following the hurricane, 250 people were fed here at St. Mary's thanks to Glen Southern Oil and the charitable outreach of Mr. Carrick and Mr. Wright.

Even the young Hispanic women working as *flag men* helping to clean up the debris were offered a hot lunch that day.

Yes, the Psalmist was right when he wrote centuries even before Christ: *"How beautiful it is when brethren dwell as one!"*

Thank you Glen Southern Oil and thank you, Mr. Carrick and Mr. Wright.

Your brother in Christ,

Father John
Pastor of St. Mary's

Thanks, God.

By Shirley Jarriel

Pahokee

Thanks, God!

Thanks that there was no loss of life or critical injury from Irene's fury.

Thanks for Good Shepherd Church who opened their hearts and their doors to help their community.

Thanks for Father John and Saint Mary and all the other churches who always come through in a crisis.

Thanks for neighbors who said, "I have a chain saw, front end loader, generator. Let me help you."

Thanks for all those wonderful people who came from far and near to help us dig out.

Thanks for city workers, police and fire departments who were there in the midst of the storm.

Thanks for those who gave of their means and their time, who said, "Is there anything else I can do?"

Thanks to those who called and said, "I have power now, would you like to come to my house?"

Thanks for those who shared, saying, "This stuff's gonna spoil anyway with the freezer out. Help us eat it!"

Thanks for family, for love, and for the unfailing "Spirit of the Glades."

Thanks to those at *The Sun* newspaper who told the "real story."

And Thank You, God, for another opportunity to give Your all the praise!

It's me again, Lord.

Love,

Shirley

Dear Editor:

On behalf of my family and other neighbors on N.E. 3rd Street (east side), I would like to thank Bob and Brenda Bunting, the Alava's, and others who gave us a cookout when our power was still off due to Hurricane Irene.

Thanks to our neighbors

We are thankful we live in a neighborhood with such caring people.

Sincerely,

Annette Francis & neighbors

Pahokee Police Officer praised

Dear Editor:

I would like to express my gratitude to a sergeant at the Pahokee Police Department. An incident happened last week and it made me very upset.

An officer stopped my vehicle and made a rush judgement because I was not able to present all the documents he requested. I was unable to locate them in my glove compartment because my car had recently been towed. Some of the information he asked for was given to him, but he did not bother to look at it.

Oh, by the way, I am still waiting for my apology from the other officer.

Sincerely,

Zoraida V. Sepulveda
Canal Point

About letters

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417 N.W. 16th Street #6, Belle Glade, FL 33430

Sun Spots

Libraries closed for Veteran's Day

All Palm Beach County Libraries will be closed on Thursday, Nov. 11 for Veteran's Day.

The Belle Glade, Pahokee and South Bay Branch Libraries will reopen on Friday, Nov. 12 at their regular hours.

Grassy Waters to hold Bake-off

Glades residents are urged to search through their favorite recipes now and plan to enter the Grassy Waters Festival 10th Annual Bake-off on Nov. 20.

Participants can enter as many recipes as they would like. Rules and regulations, classification of entries, along with registration forms may be picked up at the Pahokee Chamber of Commerce Office, Pahokee.

Free tutoring

Parents of students at Pioneer Park Elementary can have their child tutored in their home for free in preparation for the Florida Comprehensive Achievement Test (FCAT) and the Florida Writes test.

The tutoring is available to all third, fourth and fifth grade students. Parents can contact Ms. Edna Stephens at 993-4480 and she will pro-

vide a teacher and assistant to come to the home and provide all the materials and work individually with the child.

Saturday morning tutoring is available from 9 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. for all fourth and fifth grade students.

Teacher training

Palm Beach County Extension 4-H, Farm Bureau and Florida Ag in the Classroom, Inc. are offering a Palm Beach County Teacher Training Workshop on Saturday, Nov. 13 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Palm Beach County Farm Bureau Office, 13121 North Military Trail, Delray Beach.

There will be free curriculum and teaching materials and lunch will be provided.

Teachers completing the workshop will receive in-service credits.

To register for the class call Lewana Caruso at 996-3858.

Bingo every Tuesday

The Pahokee Elks Lodge, East Main Street, offers bingo every Tuesday evening from 7 p.m. at the Lodge.

For more information call the Lodge.

Free transportation

The Division of Senior Services will be providing medical transportation from the Glades area to Royal Palm Beach, Wellington and West Palm Beach for those persons who are 60 and over.

Please call Effie McNair Monday through Friday between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. at 561-233-0400.

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Farm Bureau celebrates Farm-City Week November 19-25

Local farm leaders are preparing for Farm-City Week 1999. Agriculture is one of Florida's largest industries, an industry often not understood by Florida's growing urban population. Farm-City Week will promote a better understanding between farm and city residents. This year's observance extends from November 19 to November 25.

Western Palm Beach County Farm Bureau will be going to some of the local schools to show an agriculture video and talk to the fourth and fifth graders about

agriculture to start this week of activities. This will be the 44th annual observance of Farm-City Week. More than 16,000 communities participate in the United States and Canada.

A Presidential Proclamation and a joint Congressional Resolution have called for Farm-City Week observances each year since the inception of the event. Farm-City Week has won Freedom Foundation's Distinguished Service award and the Silver Anvil Award from the Public Relations Society of America.

Here in Western Palm Beach County, agricultural businesses include sugar cane, vegetables, nurseries, sod, and rice.

Western Palm Beach County Farm Bureau hopes the events and activities of Farm-City Week will create a greater awareness in cities of the types and sizes of farms in our area.

If city residents can understand the concerns of agriculture, there will be a greater chance of the two working together to solve common problems such as environmental and governmental issues.

Celebrated Florida weather made its return last week



Mike Lyons

It is the weather that made Florida famous. Clear skies, comfortable temperatures and low humidity.

And thanks to the first significant cold front of the season, that celebrated weather made

a triumphant return to the state last week.

Following a summer of unrelenting heat, intense humidity, powerful afternoon thunderstorms and too many visits by hurricanes, the cold front was a welcome visitor.

It may also have been a preview of coming attractions.

If current projections pan out, this upcoming winter may be another season to remember in Florida, another winter in a true paradise.

The optimistic forecast comes from NASA's Poseidon satellite stationed high above the Pacific Ocean. The satellite has detected lower than normal sea-surface temperatures in the eastern Pacific, indicating the continuation of La Niña.

La Niña is a nickname scientists have given to the cooler-than-normal waters that often form in the equatorial Pacific Ocean. It is the sister of El Niño, the nickname for warmer-than-normal waters.

The temperature of the Pacific Ocean plays an important role in weather around the world, particularly in North America.

When the water is warmer than normal, the El Niño, the

upper air pattern or jet stream tends to affect most of the United States. The result is a cold, white winter in the Northeast and Upper Midwest, and wet and stormy conditions for California and here in Florida.

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Two years ago one of the strongest El Niño's in history triggered a series of nasty storms in Florida, producing the winter of our discontent.

January of 1998 was the wettest January on record as over one foot of rain fell across the area. In February of that year, the jet stream swept through central Florida spawning powerful tornadoes that claimed 42 lives.

The La Niña, or cooler ocean temperatures, has an opposite effect. The upper air pattern is forced further north, producing stormy weather in the Pacific Northwest while the rest of the country, especially California and Florida, enjoy a dry, relatively rainless winter.

Like last winter, described by many long-time residents as the finest winter season they can ever remember. Nearly every day was the same: sunny, mild and dry.

And while that sounds like

perfect weather, particularly for visitors, the dry conditions created by the La Niña pattern can lead to potential problems by spring. The lack of rain means conditions will be ripe for brush fires.

Earlier this year, thousands of acres were scorched by wildfires across the state. And the summer before, smoke-filled skies became the norm across Florida.

Another problem comes from the tropics. During a La Niña, there tends to be more hurricanes in the Atlantic basin. Over the last two years, La Niña years, 24 tropical storms and 17 hurricanes have formed in the tropics.

And our area is more likely to suffer at least one freeze during the upcoming winter. The cold spell traditionally occurs in late January or early February.

Still, like any weather pattern, you get the bad with the good. And while no weather pattern is perfect, for Florida during the winter time, the La Niña comes pretty close.

(Mike Lyons is the chief weather forecaster for WPBF-TV)

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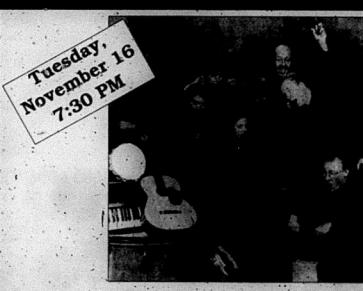
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Arrest Blotters

Editor's note: The police news on this page lists arrests, not convictions, unless otherwise stated. Arrested persons who later are found not guilty or have had the charges against them dropped are welcome to let us know. We will confirm the information and print it.

BELLE GLADE

The Belle Glade Police Department handled 601 complaints and gave 42 traffic citations the week of November 1.

Those arrested included:

November 1 - Juvenile, 15, aggravated assault with a vehicle and resisting an officer without violence; **Juvenile, 16,** aggravated assault with a vehicle and resisting an officer without violence.

November 2 - Rodrigo Flores, 29, possession of cocaine.

November 3 - Gene Hampton, 50, burglary of a residence, petty theft and contempt of court.

November 4 - No arrests made.

November 5 - Latonya Smith, 20, aggravated domestic assault; **Dorothy Smith,** 40, tampering with a witness; **Juvenile, 17,** possession of marijuana under 20 grams and possession of narcotic paraphernalia.

November 6 - Benny Jefferson, 47, retail theft; **Ronnie Leon Booth,** 21, resisting arrest with violence and violation of probation.

November 7 - Billy Joe Shannon, 33, two counts of child neglect, aggravated battery and domestic battery; **Timothy Kyles,** 34, burglary of a residence, dealing in stolen property, grand theft and possession of narcotic paraphernalia.

November 8 - Juan Carlos Osejo, 28, warrant for aggravated stalking and violation of an injunction order.

November 9 - Christina Davis, 21, theft of a vehicle; **Derek C. Gavin,** 28, possession of cocaine, possession of cocaine with intent to sell and introduction of contraband into a correctional facility.

November 10 - No arrests made.

November 11 - Juan Martinez, 25, failure to appear in court.

November 12 - Jerry Breesen, 60, indecent exposure.

SOUTH BAY

The South Bay Police Department made 6 arrests the week of October 31-November 6.

Those arrested included:

October 31 - No arrests made.

November 1 - Juan Carlos Osejo, 28, warrant for aggravated stalking and violation of an injunction order.

November 2 - No arrests made.

November 3 - No arrests made.

November 4 - No arrests made.

November 5 - Benjamin F. Horton, 54, ordinance violation (littering).

November 6 - Arthur L. Williams, 41, possession of cocaine.

PAHOKEE

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Cat Talk From Gove Elementary

Principal's Challenge

The third and last Principal's Challenge for this grading period was administered on October 29, 1999. Congratulations to the following students for meeting this challenge: **Second Grade:** Kerianne Desrivaux and Jaclyn Garza. **Third Grade:** Javier Almazan, Jessica Baltazar, Trelycia Darlington, Danielle Edgecomb, Emma Lobo, and Michelle Priest. **Fourth Grade:** Oscar Martinez, Melvin Stewart and Selena Vargas. **Fifth Grade:** Lionel Brown, Errol Demontagnac, Casey Gilbert, Hiba Ramahi, Kayla Rodriguez, Joshua Solis, Javarus Tillman, and Miguel Velasco. **Sixth Grade:** Sharif Abraham, Josie Lynn Almazan, Robert Cisneros, Berkerria Collins, Jesus Garza, and Amanda Mashni.

Uniform Sale

Harris School Uniforms in Riviera Beach is having an end of the year 15 percent off inventory sale beginning November 1-December 31, 1999. Don't miss out on this great clearance sale! For more information, call (561) 881-8689 between the hours of 10:00 A.M. - 5:00 P.M.

Eco-Tour Comes to Gove Elementary

Third grade students had the opportunity to visit the Eco-Tour Bus last Monday. Eco-Tour, sponsored by Palm Tran, provides a comprehensive program to teach students about the environment and how it relates to transit. The goal of the program is to provide an energetic curriculum that refers to math, science and social studies and how they tie in with transit and the environment. Visual aids, role-playing and hands-on exercises allow the students to get a better understanding of the environment. Every student who participated in the program, received a Palm Tran memento. Students also received an Eco-tour pledge card as a reminder to protect the environment by using public transportation and by conserving energy.

Magnet Applications

The recruitment season is in full swing for magnet schools and choice option programs. If you have a child entering kindergarten in the fall of 2000 and you are interested in having your child attend Gove Elementary School as a Magnet student, please stop by the school to pick up a Magnet application form or call for an appointment (998-1922). Our school is International Studies Magnet that specializes in dual language. Our goal is to create an environment that promotes equality and positive cross cultural attitudes while students become bilingual and biliterate. Our Magnet Open House has been set for January. More information about date and time will be forthcoming.

Students of the Month

Congratulations to the following students for being selected by their teachers as "Students of the Month" for the month of October: **Kindergarten:** Elwood Chapman, Ruben Garcia, Kristina Posey, J.D. Poole, Jene Taylor, and Stephanie Leon. **First Grade:** Jessica Sanchez and Emmanuel Reyes. **Second Grade:** Yasmy Perez, Jessica Ruiz, Fernando Martinez, Wurood Asaleh, Alana Byrd, and Yanetsi Acosta. **Third Grade:** Alejandro Albor, Frisco Barber, Chelsey Goff, Matt Carr, Angel Escobedo, and Vanessa Varela. **Fourth Grade:** Dina Shatara, Christina Romagosa, Berenice De La Cruz, Ramon Pacheco, Kayla Collier and Amelia Gutierrez. **Fifth Grade:** Dalal Shabali, Stephanie Kirchman, Miguel Velasco, and Damiane Hernandez. **Sixth Grade:** Maria Benjamin and Shalonda Williams. **ESOL:** Yatciri Rodriguez. **French:** Javon Carrigan. **Music:** Nadyeh Shatara. **P.E.:** Clarence Anthony.

Upcoming Events

11/16/1999

"Take Our Parents to School Week"

11/18/99

SAC at 6:30 p.m.

11/19/99

RIF (Book Distribution)



Pieces of 8 Comes to the Dolly Hand Cultural Arts Center... Powerful, entertaining and bursting with energy, this contemporary a cappella octet will be performing at the Dolly Hand Cultural Arts Center Tuesday, Nov. 16 at 7:30 p.m.

The ensemble's voices--pairs of sopranos, altos, tenors and basses--combine in rich harmony to create a seamless blend of sound. Saluting the boundless and unpredictable American spirit, *Pieces of 8* combines classical music influences with the sounds of jazz, pop, rock, Reggae, doo-wop, gospel and soul to create a multi-layered, nearly orchestral texture.

All of music performed by *Pieces of 8*, now in their sixth season, is written or arranged for the ensemble by Charles Mead, who considers his main musical influences to be Bach, Bartok, Debussy, James Brown, Tower of Power and the Neville Brothers.

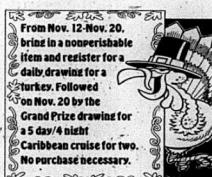
The group remains committed to the celebration of music and musical styles from various ethnic cultures. Each of Mr. Mead's compositions and arrangements has a unique flavor and sound, creatively combining melodic, rhythmic and harmonic material from diverse sources.

Pieces of 8 tours nationwide, with highlights having included performances at New York Lincoln Center and the Museum of Modern Art. *Pieces of 8* has appeared on Fox Television in New York and nationally on NBC's "Today" show. Tickets for *Pieces of 8* are \$30 for adults, \$15 for seniors, and \$5 for students/children and may be purchased by calling the Dolly Hand Cultural Arts Center box office at 561-992-6160.

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Several local schools participate in Showcase 2000

Several Glades area school participated in the Showcase 2000 program held at Centennial Square in downtown West Palm Beach on Saturday, Nov. 6.

Showcase 2000, sponsored by the School District of Palm Beach County allowed schools to show off their magnet programs.

Representatives from the Division of Personnel Services were also on hand to discuss employment opportunities with the Palm Beach County School Board.

Parents were able to pick up information on the programs offered at the schools.

Gove Elementary school showcased their Dual Language/International studies program.

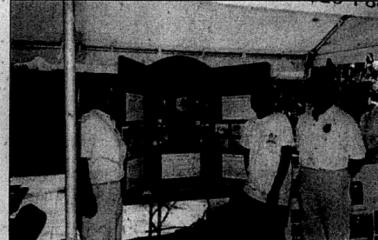
The program is headed by Berta Alvarez. For more information on the program call the school at 993-1922.

Glades Central High School displayed information on their Criminal Justice Academy. For more information contact K. Schultz at 993-4448.

Pahokee Middle/Senior High School displayed their Aerospace Science, Medicine & Allied Health, programs, TV & Film Production, Technology program and the ROTC program.



Gove Elementary School...Berta Alvarez, Magnet Coordinator, showcasing the Dual Language and International Studies magnet program.



Top...Glades Central High School showcasing their schools Criminal Justice Academy. Karen Schultz is pictured with two students from the program.

Below...Pahokee Middle/Senior High School ROTC students.



The Belle Glade campus of West Technical Education Center showing off their many programs offered during the Showcase 2000 Expo at Centennial Square. Pictured from left to right are: Mrs. Giffin, Derek Dudash and Mrs. Hadad.



Canal Point Methodist Church and UMCOR (United Methodist Committee on Relief) helps hurricane victims...Rev. Izzy, assistant pastor (standing) and Rev. Linda Joyce, pastor (seated right) at Canal Point United Methodist Church talk with hurricane victims seeking assistance from UMCOR. This agency has provided food and food vouchers, hygiene kits and financial assistance to families that are jobless because of the hurricane.

PBCC Launches Student Success

A student knowledgeable in the helpful resources a college provides can be the key to success for fellow students who are struggling. Palm Beach Community College, in a set of new initiatives, is currently training students to support their peers and reduce dropout rates and the need for remediation classes.

The Palm Beach Community College Board of Trustees, the School District of Palm Beach County and Florida Atlantic University formalized a plan requested by the State Board of Education, the "International Articulation Agreement," in June.

The Agreement covers a variety of educational issues, including a response to the state's requirement (and funding) of a plan to reduce the need for remediation.

Remedial classes, also known as college preparatory classes, must be taken by degree-seeking students in reading, English or mathematics if they have low scores on their College Placement Test.

Palm Beach Community College is implementing the first phase of three major initiatives. The College hopes will make a major difference in remediation reductions.

The Ambassador Program will send eight PBCC college students to selected "feeder"

high schools" to work with eleventh and twelfth graders and their guidance counselors to not only promote PBCC, but increase their awareness of higher education. Reaching high school students with this message can increase the number of students who are prepared for college, said PBCC's Dean of Enrollment Management, Scott MacLachlan. MacLachlan said college students make the best college ambassadors because high school students can identify with them. PBCC is currently hiring student ambassadors to be trained in December and work in the high schools by mid-January 2000.

The Bridge Program will identify 50 incoming college freshmen who need at least two college preparatory classes, and offer them up to two classes, tuition and books paid; in the summer of 2000. Those 50 students will receive intensive assistance from PBCC's Student Services Department, from the Center for Personalized Instruction which provides learning assistance services, and from a newly formed group of peer advisors.

Peer Advisors will be PBCC students well versed in campus resources. They will be available to help all students, but will closely track Bridge Program participants. Peer

advisors will help students with information about career development, financial aid, job placement and academic assistance by calling students regularly and actually taking them to the campus services they need. They can also help dispel what MacLachlan calls "the mythology of the classroom" in which false information is spread by misinformed students.

Having peer advisors keep such close tabs on risk" students is "invasive intervention," MacLachlan said, but clearly such intensive steps have proven successful in helping students succeed.

"Right now we graduate from 25 to 30 percent of incoming students, which is the national average," he said. "If we could increase that number to 50 percent by offering more assistance, we've gone a long way toward helping students succeed."

Such efforts by the College are also fiscally sound, MacLachlan said.

"If we can increase retention or decrease attrition by 10 percent, it could effectively bring in over \$2 million that could be used to enhance our academic programs and student support services. It's cheaper to retain students than to recruit them."

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Veterans Day

November 11

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Sports this week

Pahokee loses to Crusaders

By Robbie Everett



The Pahokee Blue Devils lost their chance for a three-way tie, breaker in District 3A last Friday evening as they were defeated by the Cardinal Newman Crusaders.

The Crusaders opened the

scoring with a field goal to take a 3-0 lead. Pahokee's Octavius Jackson scored for Pahokee, giving the Blue Devils a 6-3 lead.

The Crusaders would take a 10-6 lead going into half-time. A series of Pahokee penalties

and miscues resulted in the Crusaders becoming District champions.

The Pahokee Blue Devil gridironers are preparing for the annual Muck Bowl Friday night. This year's game will be hosted by the Glades Central Raiders.

Glades Day over Moore Haven 47-7



scored in the first quarter on a 2-yard touchdown run. The extra point was no good. Glades Day led 6-0.

The Terriers scored on their first play on an 88-yard TD run by Quinton Mitchell. The extra point was good and Moore Haven led 6-7.

Holman scored again on a 1-yard TD run and the extra point was not good and the Gators were up 12-7.

Jesse Montalvo caught a 10-yard TD pass from quarterback

Kyle McNamara. The two-point conversion was good and Glades Day led 20-7.

Erik Molares then recovered a blocked punt in the end zone.

The two-point conversion was good and the Gators led 28-7.

FB Jimmy Dobson scored on a 16-yard reception pass thrown by McNamara for the touchdown. The extra point was not good. Glades Day was on top 34 to 7 at halftime.

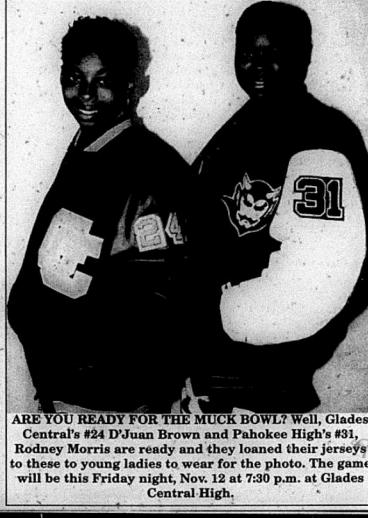
In the second half, Tony Porter scored on a two-yard

run. The extra point attempt failed and the Gators led 40-7.

Jimmy Dobson scored his second TD of the night on a one-yard TD run. The extra point was good and Glades Day won the game 47-7.

Glades Day wrapped up the District Title and the Gators will play their first District game at home this weekend, but they don't yet know who they will be playing.

Information for this story was provided by Brian Lohmann.



ARE YOU READY FOR THE MUCK BOWL? Well, Glades Central's #24 D'Juan Brown and Pahokee High's #31, Rodney Morris are ready and they loaned their jerseys to these to young ladies to wear for the photo. The game will be this Friday night, Nov. 12 at 7:30 p.m. at Glades Central High.

Glades Day School wrapped up the District Championship last Friday night with a 47-7 win over the Moore Haven Terriers.

Quarterback James Holman



Big "A's" Defensive Player of the Week is D'Juan Brown, who got the game going last week by intercepting the ball and running for 30 yards.



Big "A" Play Maker of the Week is Santos Roy, who can always be counted on to be there when the Raiders need him.

Photos by "Big A" Adrian Vereen



RAIDERS IN THE MIST...The Glades Central team put on a united show as they entered the field Friday night for their game against Cardinal Gibbons. The Raiders won 34-17 and the District Title. They will now go on to play Pahokee this Friday night in the Muck Bowl.



Mrs. Pyfrom's Drill Team from 1989 was recognized and honored at Friday night's Glades Central football game.

Glades Day's Cross Country Team advances to Regional Finals

Glades Day School's Cross Country Team won the district game last week and will be

headed for the Regional Finals

on Saturday, Nov. 13 in Orlando

for Saturday's game.

If the team wins, they will advance to the state games, which will be held Nov. 20 in Ft. Lauderdale.

In addition to the team's advancement to the Regionals, two Glades Day School runners also qualified for the Regionals individually. Petty Altman, a junior and Daniel Veale, also a junior, placed in the top 15 in the district to qualify for the

Regional Finals.

Other members of the team

who will be headed to Orlando

for Saturday's game include: Angie Gonzalez, Veronica Muniz, Ashley Veale, Stephanie Lynn, Sweta Patel, Andriana Zygaurre, Jessica Paez, Patrick Cross, Daniel Herring, McBea Herring, Jason Morris, McGee Green, Jai Subramanya, Jorge Moreno and Justin Longoria.

Good luck to the Glades Day School team!



Sugar Cane Lanes League Standings
Belle Glade Bowl

TUES ABC LEAGUE (WEEK #5) (NEEDS SPONSOR)		DWIGHT HATFIELD (WEEK #6)		THURS MIXERS (WEEK #5)	
TEAM SET	INDIVIDUAL SET	TEAM SET	INDIVIDUAL SET	TEAM SET	INDIVIDUAL SET
American General Life	15.0 5.0	Sugar Cane Produce	15.0 6.0	Two and Two	12.0 8.0
Geneva's Liquors	14.5 5.5	Bonfire Oil	15.0 6.0	Shutterfly	12.0 8.0
Ghostbusters	14.0 6.0	Lake Pharmacy	13.5 10.5	Lake Wading	11.0 10.0
Stanton Mobile Homes	12.0 8.0	Not Yet	13.0 11.0	Just Fine	10.0 10.0
Noisemakers	10.0 10.0	Lake Hardware	13.0 11.0	Bair's Electronics	8.0 12.0
Overtime	8.0 12.0	Lake Sod	11.5 12.5	Bair's Electronics	7.0 13.0
Undertakers	8.0 12.0	Co-Op	11.0 13.0		
Life & Health	5.0 15.0	Pete's Guide Service	11.0 13.0		
		Beginner's Luck	8.0 16.0		

THIS WEEK'S HIGHS					
SCRATCH:					
TEAM SET	INDIVIDUAL SET	TEAM SET	INDIVIDUAL SET	TEAM SET	INDIVIDUAL SET
Life & Health	2795	Not Yet	1935	Just Fine	1866
Life & Health	1012	Lake Hardware	688	Just Fine	652
Skip Lanham	563	Athena Mitchell	554	Alexander Brown	551
Skip Lanham	258	Patty Cole	226	Athena Mitchell	567
				Alexander Brown	551
				Athena Mitchell	567
				Bair's Electronics	2776
				Bair's Electronics	807
				Clem Bar 241	807
				Athena Mitchell	624
				Glen Bar 241	624

NASCAR this week

On TV

All Times Eastern

- Busch Series, HotWheels.com 300 1:30 p.m. • Saturday • TBS
- Winston Cup, Pennzoil 400 12:30 p.m. • Sunday • NBC

1999 POINTS STANDINGS

WINSTON CUP	BUSCH	TRUCK
1. Dale Jarrett, 4,927	Dale Earnhardt Jr., 4,467	Jack Sprague, 3,747
2. Bobby Labonte, 4,696	Matt Kenseth, 4,278	Greg Biffle, 3,739
3. Mark Martin, 4,613	Jeff Green, 4,212	Dennis Setzer, 3,639
4. Tony Stewart, 4,267	Todd Parrott, 3,657	Mike Wallace, 3,543
5. Jeff Gordon, 4,432	Elton Sawyer, 3,767	Jay Sauter, 3,443
6. Jeff Burton, 4,403	Jeff Purvis, 3,570	Mike Wallace, 3,494
7. Dale Jarrett, 4,212	Dave Blaney, 3,467	Ron Hornaday, 3,488
8. Rusty Wallace, 3,904	Jason Keller, 3,452	Andy Houston, 3,359
9. Ward Burton, 3,806	Mike McLaughlin, 3,375	Mike Bliss, 3,294
10. Mike Skinner, 3,706	Randy LaJoie, 3,303	Jimmy Hensley, 3,280

TOP TEN

■ Weekly rankings by NASCAR This Week writer Monte Dutton. Last week's ranking is in parentheses.

1. (1) Dale Jarrett	Title all but locked up
2. (5) Bobby Labonte	Third was not enough
3. (2) Jeff Gordon	Won BGN race, 10th in Cup
4. (4) Mark Martin	Couldn't catch Tony
5. (3) Jeff Burton	One win shy of Gordon
6. (7) Tony Stewart	Best rookie ever? Yes
7. (6) Dale Jarrett	Coasted home 11th
8. (8) Ward Burton	Drove from 37th to 13th
9. (9) Rusty Wallace	In-pit road mélée
10. (—) Ricky Rudd	Has to beat the odds

FROM LAST WEEK

WINSTON CUP

Tony Stewart equaled an all-time rookie record by winning for the second time in the Dura Lube 500 at Phoenix International Raceway. The 28-year-old Indiana native and Pontiac driver led nearly half the laps and easily outraced Mark Martin's Ford.

Dale Jarrett overcame adversity — a flat tire briefly put him a lap down — and finished sixth.

enabling him to close in on his first Winston Cup championship.

BUSCH GRAND NATIONAL

Jeff Gordon won his first Busch Grand National race in seven years, the Outback 200 at Phoenix. Just as significantly, Dale Earnhardt Jr. clinched his second series championship with a runner-up finish. Both drove Chevrolet Monte Carlos.

1999 WINSTON CUP SCHEDULE

Nov. 14 Miami-Dade Homestead Motorsports Complex Homestead, Fla.

Nov. 21 Atlanta Motor Speedway Hampton, Ga.

FEUD OF THE WEEK

Rusty Wallace vs. Geoffrey Bodine

A pit-road melee with Wallace cost Bodine what potentially could have been an opportunity to win. Steve Park was also involved, but his Chevrolet was hardly damaged. At the time of the melee, Bodine had spent almost all the race in the top five. He wound up 22nd.

NASCAR This Week's Monte Dutton gives his opinion:

"Wallace deserves credit for being a stand-up guy and taking the blame for the incident, which occurred prior to the halfway point. Yes, it was 'one of those racing deals.' No, that didn't make Bodine, who has been struggling all year, feel any better."

FROM THE ARCHIVES

The longest track where NASCAR ever raced was the 4.2-mile Daytona Beach "beach/road course," where races were held from 1949 through 1958. Tim Flock won a 1955 race at Road America in Elkhart Lake, Wis. That track was a 4.1-mile road course.

CREW OF THE WEEK

■ After an early miscalculation — he ran out of gas on the lap he was scheduled to pit — Greg Zidapelli and the Home Depot team performed impressively down the stretch in Tony Stewart's Phoenix victory. As a result of Stewart's last pit stop, the 28-year-old rookie was able to increase his lead threefold, from one to three seconds.

AVONDALE, Ariz. — Jeff Gordon, at Phoenix International Raceway early for Busch Grand National practice and qualifying, expressed his disappointment at the defection of five crew members to Robert Yates Racing and Dale Jarrett next year.

"It was kind of interesting and definitely a surprise to us because we weren't given an opportunity (to make a counter offer)," Gordon said. "We had big plans for those guys, but obviously they had different plans."

"They pretty much made their own

plans and went off and did it. That's fine. We'll be fine without them; it's just we're going to have to shuffle a bit to get some guys, and we would've loved to have kept them."

The Rainbow Warriors, the name given the crew by former crew chief Ray Evernham, were trendsetters in that they were the first pit crew custom-designed for that purpose. Most NASCAR pit crews consist of employees with other duties, but the Rainbow Warriors were put together for their' athletic ability, not their value as mechanics. Gordon won three Winston Cup championships with them.

ON THE SCHEDULE

WINSTON CUP

Coming up: Pennzoil 400

Where: Miami-Homestead (Fla.) Speedway (1.5-mile track), 300 laps/400 miles

When: Sunday, Nov. 14

Defending champion: First event

Event qualifying record: First event

Race record: First event

Notable: Homestead is the lone first-time track on the 1999 schedule, and no new tracks will be added in 2000. ... Dale Jarrett won the first Busch Grand National race there in 1995.

BUSCH GRAND NATIONAL

Coming up: HotWheels.com 300

Where: Miami-Homestead (Fla.) Speedway (1.5-mile track), 200 laps/300 miles

When: Saturday, Nov. 13

Defending champion: Jeff Burton

Event qualifying record: Casey Atwood, Chevrolet, 148.262 mph, Nov. 14, 1998

Race record: Jeff Burton, Ford, 129.605 mph, Nov. 15, 1998

Notable: Jarrett won the track's first BGN event despite running fourth with one lap to go. The first three drivers crashed in the third turn of the final lap. ... Joe Nemechek, Kevin Lepage and Burton are the other former winners.

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Your Turn

Letters from Our Readers

Dear NASCAR This Week,
Is it true ESPN has been bought out by Jarrett-Gordon Enterprises? Too bad. Most fans would like to know what the other 40 are doing in a race.

Jack Chapman
Kingsford Heights, Ind.

No such company exists.



Dear NASCAR This Week,
In watching the victory at Talladega, which was won by Dale Earnhardt, I'm very upset by all the booze flowing and sprayed around in victory lane. The races are watched by thousands of kids. What kind of a message does this send out to them? It's OK to win, celebrate and get in a drunken stupor?

Elton Shelly
Mercersburg, Pa.

The spraying of champagne after a victory is not uncommon in other forms of sports.



Dear NASCAR This Week,
Jeff Gordon's behavior shows that he is the best and fairest driver on the NASCAR circuit. The reason that people boo him is because they cannot accept a young driver who is not one of the "good old boys." Bob Knight Frankfort, Ind.

The author wants us to know he is not the Indiana University basketball coach.



Dear NASCAR This Week,
Why does Buddy Baker always say the same things in favor of Mark Martin? Baker is all for Martin and no one else.

The officials of NASCAR should look into this and put a stop to it.



Eddie Hare
Wilmer, Ala.

Who's Hot... Who's Not

■ HOT: Tony Stewart's victory was his 20th top-10 finish.

■ HOT: Bill Elliott has finished outside the top 10 in 14 straight.



smart to have specialized people in those positions.



YOU'RE NOT GONNA BELIEVE IT: Bruton Smith, the relentless visionary of motorsports, is at it again.

The Pennzoil World of Outlaws and the Hav-A-Tampa Racing Series will compete next June 2-3 at Bristol Motor Speedway.

What? Aren't these two series strictly for dirt tracks? Yes, they are.

Speedway Motorsports CEO Smith is having more than 8,000 cubic yards of earth hauled onto Bristol's concrete surface to facilitate the races.

Steve Grissom



Steve Grissom has been reduced to occasional appearances in Winston Cup.

By Monte Dutton

NASCAR This Week

Steve Grissom, once considered one of stock car racing's more promising young drivers, has never been able to quite turn the corner in the Winston Cup Series.

Grissom is one of many NASCAR drivers to have risen from the ranks of Alabama short-track drivers. Once a power to be reckoned with at almost every race, the "Alabama Gang" has been reduced to occasional appearances in the Winston Cup ranks, as drivers like Grissom and Hut Stricklin have been unable to fulfill the legacy of forerunners like the Allisons and Neil Bonnett.

Once a fine high-school football player, Grissom won the Busch Grand National championship in 1993. In NASCAR's chief support series, Grissom has won 11 times, most recently at Daytona in 1996.

AGE: 36

HOMETOWN: Gadsden, Ala.

WIFE: Susan

CHILDREN: Two

CAR: Grissom has driven several different cars in Cup competition this year

RECORD: BGN 230 starts, 4 poles, 11 wins, 42 top-five finishes, 74 top-10s, \$1,311,471 in career earnings

FIRSTS: In Busch Grand National — Start (Sept. 6, 1986, at Richmond), pole (July 28, 1990, at New River Valley), win (July 28, 1990, at New River Valley)

HAVE ALL THE HILLS AND VALLEYS IN YOUR CAREER TAKEN A TOLL? "Every driver in this garage has been through a silly season one way or another, and sometimes it's kind of neat and sometimes it's not so fun at all. What every driver hopes for is the 'no-brainer' offer, where the best team in racing offers you more resources and more financing than you ever dreamed of. What every driver gets is usually a lot closer to the line of what's good and what's not so good."

WHAT IS YOUR STATUS AS A DRIVER RIGHT NOW?

"I've spoken with some of the biggest names in this sport and I've spoken with some on other levels. I've even spoken with some who aren't in stock car racing at all. Where there were offers, we weighed them pretty heavily. Where they were promising situations, we tried to be honest in what we could give them."

ARE YOU HOPEFUL SOMETHING WILL TURN UP?

"There are other opportunities out there, and some pretty good ones. I have a family, so I have to take a look at everything that comes up and look at it as seriously as I can. There have been a few that I had to step back and say, 'Whoa!' There are a lot of people wanting to build really good programs out there. Winston Cup is still my number one goal, and it's still where I'm headed one way or another. Right now I just want to make absolutely sure I take the right road to get there."

Trackside Trivia

1. What two former NBA stars have owned or co-owned Busch Grand National cars?
2. Who won the first Brickyard 400?
3. Who won the first Winston Cup race at Texas Motor Speedway?

3. Jeff Burton and Jimmie Johnson

ANSWERS

1. Michael Jordan and Dennis Rodman

2. Dale Jarrett

3. Bill Elliott

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Obituaries
Week of
Nov. 11, 1999

Deborah D. Lantz, 39, a resident of Royal Palm Beach died Thursday, Oct. 28 at her home from an extended illness.

Mrs. Lantz is a former resident of Belle Glade and was employed at Sugar Cane Growers Cooperative.

Mrs. Lantz was born March 15, 1960 in Mount Vernon, Ohio and as the daughter of Elizabeth Stricker of Belle Glade and Kimberly Fletcher of Lake Forest, CA. and Roberta Model of Florida, a grandmother; Mildred Moxley of Mansfield, Ohio.

Memorial services will be held at St. Paul's Episcopal Church on East High Street in Mount Vernon, Ohio on Saturday, Nov. 20 at 10 a.m. Burial will follow at Oak Grove Cemetery in Gambier, Ohio.

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Barbara Cheives, Joel Chist, Laura Hardwick, Gary Kornfeld, William McGarry, M.D., Jason North, Marc Sussman, Cheryl Triplett, and Michael Wing, M.D. were as sponsors for the dinner.

For more information, please contact the West Palm Beach Unit at 561-636-9370, call the toll-free hotline at 1-800-ACS-2345 or visit our website at www.cancer.org.



American Cancer Society Board of Directors attended the Annual Awards and Installation Dinner at the Kravis Center last month. Directors left to right are: Sandra Chambliss, Jana Rasmussen, M.D., Joanna T. Nevins, R.N., Barry Simon, M.D., Charles Fischer, Jr., John W. Little, III, Esq. and Martin Cass, CPA.

PIGSKIN PICKS

Standings

Player	Wins	Losses
Mike Burkett	85	13
Randy Gay	80	18
Ricky Godfrey	71	23
Rick Gold	71	20
Donny Moss	78	14
Billy Rimes	84	19
Adrian "Big A" Vereen	78	20

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 Pahokee Blue Devils vs. Glades Central Raiders
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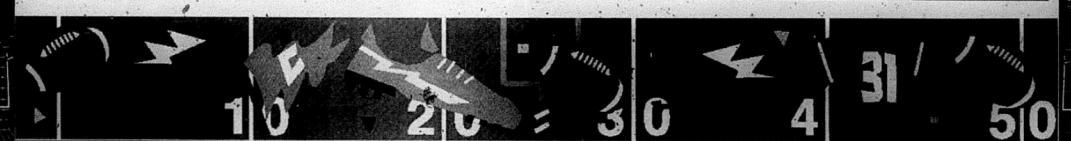
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Garden Club selling pecans

The Belle Glade Garden Club has new pecans for sale at \$6 a pound.

Call Lurline Brooks at 996-2506 or you can pick them up at JKJ Fashions, 1100 N. Main Street, Suite A, Belle Glade.

Veterans to be honored

American Legion, Post 20 will be honoring veterans on Veterans Day with a barbecue chicken or ribs dinner with all the trimmings on Nov. 14.

The donation is \$7 and tickets can be purchased at the door or by calling 996-6444. A Veterans Day Ceremony will be held at 2 p.m.

The Post is located at 101 S.E. Avenue D, Belle Glade.

Local radio station WBGF/WSWN will be doing a salute to Veterans from 10:30-11 a.m. and several local veterans from the Post will be featured on the air.

Christmas Toy Drive

The Belle Glade Chamber of Commerce, in conjunction with the Salvation Army, is collecting toys for Glades children.

Glades residents are asked to support the program by taking new, unwrapped toys to one of the following locations: Bair's Electronics, Bank of Belle Glade, the Chamber, First Community Bank, First Union Bank, NationsBank, Palm Beach Community College, Glades Community Development Corporation, Glades General Hospital or Smith Barney.

Sugar Tour 1999

The Belle Glade Chamber of Commerce is hosting a Sugar

Tour, sponsored by United States Sugar Corporation on Thursday, Dec. 2.

The tour includes a field being burned in preparation for harvest, harvesting, lunch at the Clewiston Inn, tour of U.S. Sugar research department and the sugar mill and refinery operations.

Reservations are required and the cost is \$2. The bus will depart from the Belle Glade Marina Pavilion parking lot at 9 a.m.

To reserve your space call the Belle Glade Chamber of Commerce at 996-2745.

Parent Workshop

Family First, the Family Involvement Resource Center, is sponsoring a Parent Workshop on Wednesday, Nov. 17 from 6 to 8 p.m. on the campus of Glades Central Community High School.

The topic will be Middle School Family Involvement. Parents will be provided with effective strategies and hands-on methods to promote family involvement.

For additional information, please call 992-4082.

ARC sale

The Glades Area ARC will be having their annual yard sale to benefit programs and services of the ARC on Saturday, Nov. 13 at 4250 N.W. 16th Street, (old skating rink) from 7 a.m. to noon.

The sale includes desks, work tables, a dining room table, office chairs, conference tables, a wide selection of Peachtree and Anderson windows, infant and toddler daycare toys, tools, bicycles, etc.

Free and reduced meals for children

The Wee Care Child Development Center offers free or reduced lunches to children at their center located at 209 S.W. 10th Street, Belle Glade.

The program is offered through the U.S. Department of Agriculture's "Child and

Adult Care Food Program

For more information contact the center.

Volunteers needed

The Pahokee boys facility is looking for volunteers to help make a difference in the lives of young men by tutoring, being mentors and role models, and serving as guest speakers in career areas.

The facility is home to 350 youth between the ages of 14 to 18. If you would like to help make a difference in the lives of these young men please call the Volunteer Coordinator at 924-5922, Ext. 207.

Alzheimer's/Dementia Caregiver Support

Families who are dealing with a loved one with Alzheimer's/Dementia can find support from the Alzheimer's/Dementia Caregiver Support Group. The meetings are held the second Tuesday of every month from 2 to 3:30 p.m. at the Pahokee Civic Center.

The topic will be Middle School Family Involvement. Parents will be provided with effective strategies and hands-on methods to promote family involvement.

For more information call Sandy Choate at 924-7283.

Steak Night at Pahokee Elks Lodge

Members and guests are invited to enjoy steak night every Saturday evening at the Pahokee Elks Lodge.

Reservations are requested. Call 924-7727 for more information.

Volunteers sought for Red Cross

The Glades area service center of the Palm Beach County Chapter of the American Red Cross are in search of volunteers.

Volunteers are needed who are willing to be trained in water safety, CPR or First Aid instruction. Volunteers are also needed for other tasks at the Red Cross office in South Bay.

To volunteer call 992-9703 or

(941) 675-8000.

Recovery Group meets at Good Shepherd

A Christ-centered recovery group meets every Monday evening at the Good Shepherd Church of God in Pahokee. Meetings are at 7:30 p.m. and the public is welcome. The church is located at 1800 Bacon Point Road, Pahokee.

NA and AA meetings

There are two narcotic anonymous groups that meet in the Glades and new members are always welcome.

Sweet Miracles meets on Thursday evenings at 8 p.m. at St. John's Episcopal Church, 200 N.W. Avenue H, Belle Glade. They have open discussions and speakers.

There is also a PANDA (Pregnant And Addicted) meeting every Saturday at 10 a.m. at the PANDA office, 816 N.W. Avenue D, Belle Glade. This meeting is for women only and is an open discussion meeting.

Alcoholics Anonymous meets on Monday evenings at 8:30 p.m. at John's Episcopal Church, 225 N.W. Avenue G, Belle Glade. Participation in any of these meetings is strictly confidential.

Anyone needing additional assistance or who has questions can call Narcotics Anonymous at 561-848-NANA.

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Over the last five months, Gulfstream has been working with the people of Alabama, Mississippi and Florida on its proposal to construct this new interstate natural gas transmission system. Gulfstream has held numerous Open Houses and Town Meetings with landowners, local organizations, and local officials to impacts in order to identify the pipeline route that minimizes impacts on the people, the land, and the environment. We appreciate all the suggestions and comments received.

The FERC has assigned Gulfstream's applications docket numbers CP00-6-000, CP00-7-000, and CP00-8-000. On October 25, 1999, the first step in the FERC's evaluation process occurred when the FERC publicly noticed Gulfstream's applications, setting a deadline of November 15, 1999 for persons to file protest or formal intervention in the proceeding. Comments on the applications may be filed at any time. Gulfstream has projected the following dates for the processing of its applications: (1) November 15, 1999 for FERC review; (2) public hearings meetings, December 1999-January 2000; (3) receipt of federal, state and local environmental permit applications, January 2000.

If you have not received this information packet and would like to, please call the office of Dag Gilliland, Gulfstream's Land Manager, toll free at 1-877-701-2500. A copy of our FERC applications, which also includes detailed maps, is available for viewing and reference at: Palm Beach County Library, 3650 Summit Boulevard, West Palm Beach, FL 33406.

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Skydive America Palm Beach hosts Space Games 7



After the last free flyers jump from the plane, the pilot drops his aircraft several thousand feet, nearly straight down, until the plane is underneath the flyers. Quite an exhilarating experience!

Photo courtesy of SkyDiveAmerica/PB



Skydive America/Palm Beach's Demo Team starts the opening ceremonies with a Team Free Fly, trailing smoke as they fall. Photo courtesy of Skydive America/Palm Beach

Elks launch Most Valuable Student Scholarship contest

The Elks National Foundation of the BPO Elks of the USA will award nearly \$2.1 million in college scholarships to a total of 500 high school seniors nationwide through its Most Valuable Student Scholarship contest.

The contest is open to students in the graduating class of a high school, or its equivalent, who are citizens of the United States. Applications will be available at the Elks' home page, www.elks.org, by October 15, at local Elks lodges or local high schools after November 1; or by sending a self-addressed stamped envelope to the Elks National Foundation, 2750 N. Lakeview Ave., Chicago, IL 60614.

The filing deadline for this year's contest is January 14, 2000. Completed applications must be turned in to the scholarship chairman, exalted ruler or secretary of the Elks lodge in whose jurisdiction the applicant resides. Applicants must advance through local, district and state competition to reach the national judging.

Male and female students will compete separately. Applicants will be judged on financial need, leadership and scholarship. The Elks National Foundation, the charitable arm of the BPO Elks of the

USA, will award scholarships to 500 national finalists. The top male and female student will receive scholarships of \$7,500 a year for four years. The second-place male and female will receive \$4,000 a year for four years, and the third-place male and female will receive \$3,000 a year for four years.

In addition, the Foundation will award 494 scholarships of \$1,000 a year for four years. The 500 winners will be announced in May 2000. Some local lodges, districts and states will also award scholarships to applicants.

The mission of the Elks National Foundation is to provide tomorrow's leaders, our youth, with a healthy beginning. The Foundation annually awards more than \$3 million through its five scholarship programs: the Most Valuable Student contest, emergency educational grants to the children of deceased or totally disabled Elks, scholarships for Eagle Scouts and Girl Scout Gold Award winners, and Legacy Awards for children of Elks.

The Elks National Foundation and the BPO Elks of the USA are headquartered at 2750 N. Lakeview Ave., Chicago, IL 60614-1889, 773/755-4732, <http://www.elks.org>.

By Kay Zaccagnino

Skydive America hosted "Olav Zipser's Space Games 7" at the Pahokee Airport on Saturday, Nov. 6.

Among the notables in attendance were County Commissioner Tony Masilotti, Palm Beach County Florida Film & Television Commissioner Chuck Elder, Pahokee Mayor Alvis Davis and dozens of the world's most renowned names in skydiving.

The competition was kicked off by a demonstration that included a "5-way" which consists of five people performing relative work, with canisters expelling smoke as they fall to the earth at approximately 120 mph, belly down.

A "3-way CRW (Canopy Relative Work)" was demonstrated, as the audience on the ground watched in awe as three skydivers connected with their colorful canopies opened, floating gracefully and skillfully to the earth.

A "3-way Free Flying" amazed the crowd by plummeting to the earth at speeds that have been clocked at up to 300 mph, head down. At the end of the demonstration, a skydiver glided to the landing area, with the American Flag streaming behind him.

Skydive America/Palm Beach has been at the Glades Airport-Pahokee since April 1999. Larry Kerschenbaum is the owner, with Paul McGreevy, a member of the National Canadian Sky Dive Champions in 8-way, is the General Manager. Sara McGreevy, Paul's wife, is the Marketing Director and a skydiver, as well.

The Chief Instructor, Bruce Robertson, another member of the National Canadian Sky Dive Champions in 8-way is joined by his wife, Melody Robertson, who handles Manifest and is a fellow skydiver, as well. They all share a passion for the sport and work diligently to make the Glades Airport in Pahokee a premier center for skydiving.

On any given weekend, approximately 400 jumps are made from the two planes that are anchored at the Glades Airport-Pahokee.

Skydivers from countries such as Italy, Germany, Brazil, Venezuela, Denmark, South Africa, England, Hungary and Iceland, convene in Pahokee to

take advantage of the wide open spaces and clear skies. Skydive America/Palm Beach is in the process of building a complex to house their visitors. They purchased 3.5 acres of land at the end of the landing strip, in Pahokee, and have started construction on the bunkhouses and a recreational facility that enable their customers to stay close to the jump site.

Olav Zipser, a 1995 Sports

At the end of the opening ceremonies, this skydiver shows off his patriotism. Photo by K. Zaccagnino

Emmy Awards winner for Electronic Cameraperson for Extreme Games, ESPN/ESPN2, developed "Space Games", which is a series of competitions stressing accuracy, creativity, and speed.

Competitors are invited to participate in the games, receiving points that lead to an invitation in the Space Games World Championships.

Mr. Kerschenbaum and Mr.

Only 16 of the world's best are invited to participate in the World Championships. Cash prizes are awarded to the participants for their work in the sky. Top prizes for the Freefly, Indi 500 and Atmosphere Dolphin Challenge is \$3,000.

For the 3-way team event, the top prize is \$4,500 and for Tracking, which is gliding horizontally along the earth's horizon and judged on distance, is \$500. Cash prizes are awarded for various other activities such as Best Camera Work, Highest Degree of Difficulty, Most Artistic Presentation and Most Aerodynamic Flyer.

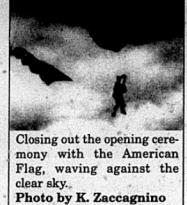
Larry Kerschenbaum and Olav Zipser are also the owners of a new \$80,000 studio in Wellington. New Tribe Productions produces and distributes Extreme Sports Videos.

They say they love showing off the fabulous camera work to anyone who visits Skydive America/Palm Beach at the Glades Airport in Pahokee, as well as showing the state of the art equipment they use to shoot video while they are falling from the sky at speeds of 120 mph and up.

Mr. Kerschenbaum and Mr. Zipser envision a video production college for kids to come and learn how to edit video. The Palm Beach County Film & Television Commission and County Commissioner Tony Masilotti support this new, ex-

citing venture.

Chuck Elder, the Palm Beach County Film Commissioner says, "Without Commissioner Masilotti's support and com-



Closing out the opening ceremony with the American Flag, waving against the clear sky.

Photo by K. Zaccagnino

mitment, these changes that are coming to Western Palm Beach County would go unnoticed."

Speedcurve Productions, from Los Angeles, California, with Andrew Staich at the helm, is filming the event, as well. Speedcurve Productions specializes in high speed sports videos and other sporting events.

Paul McGreevy invites the public to come to the airport and watch the action as it unfolds every weekend.

Admission is free, but be careful, you may find yourself addicted. If you're interested in checking out Skydive America/Palm Beach, call for an appointment by dialing 1-877-BLUE-SKY.



Pictured left to right are Paul McGreevy (General Manager), Chuck Elder (PB Co. Film and Television Commissioner), Olav Zipser (The Father of Free Fly), Pahokee's Mayor Alvis Davis, Tony Masilotti (Palm Beach County Commissioner) and Larry Kerschenbaum (Owner of SkyDive America/Palm Beach). Photo by K. Zaccagnino

Minority enrollment at PBCC increases considerably last decade

Black enrollment at Palm Beach Community College (PBCC) has more than tripled since the fall semester of 1988, and Hispanic enrollment has more than doubled, according to an enrollment report just released.

Ten years ago, only one in ten students at Palm Beach Community College was black or Hispanic. At about the same time, the college hired a counselor/minority recruiter and began administering programs to aid and enroll minorities and disadvantaged youth. These programs are funded at every level, by the college, local business, and state and federal government.

Their efforts are succeeding. Today, those minorities account for more than one in four (28.5 percent) students on PBCC's campuses.

The Panorama 99: Student Enrollment Report also reveals that black and Hispanic enrollment is greatest in the vocational certificate programs (38 percent). Blacks and Hispanics account for 29 percent of those in the associate in arts degree program, whose students go on to earn four-year

degrees, and 25 percent of the students in the two-year associate in science program, which prepares students to go directly into the work force.

"Numerous PBCC staff members on all four of the college's campuses have made great efforts to increase minority enrollment," said PBCC's Robin Johnson, director of outreach services/recruitment. "They've conducted Saturday interactive programs that teach youth how to apply for college, attended community festivals and churches, hosted luncheons with high school guidance counselors, and much, much more."

The college-funded, "Fast Break" program for minorities encourages students to attend college prior to fall semester by providing a tuition and books scholarship to PBCC for a summer semester. The former 'Next Step' Program, which included many minority students, also offered paid internships and paid wages for hours spent in the college classroom.

A large statewide program known as "College Read Out Program (CROP)" encourages students in grades six through

twelve to attend college.

"The students in CROP are entering college at a higher rate than other students at the same economical and educational status," Johnson said. "I have to say that's feeding our enrollment. We've been working with some of these students since the sixth grade."

Perhaps the most dramatic increase in black enrollment has been on PBCC's Glades Campus in Belle Glade. In one year alone, from 1997-98 to 1998-99, the Glades Campus experienced a 41.3% increase (69 additional students).

"This can be attributed to the efforts of the 'Fabulous' Glades Campus staff in addition to programs such as CROP, Fast Break, and Next Step," Johnson said. "The monies that have been invested in these minority programs have contributed to PBCC's enrollment increase. Due to a combination of specific programs, recruitment, and outreach programs, minority students are attending college in record numbers, and they are succeeding."

The increase in minority enrollment can be attributed to

other factors as well, said Scott MacLachlan, dean of enrollment management.

"There's a comfort level at PBCC for all students," he explained. "Students don't feel they're out of place."

The Black Student Union, the Spanish and Latin Student Association (SALSA), and Students for International Understanding are clubs that target specific interests and enable students to share these interests with others."

The Student Government Association presidents on the Central Campus in Lake Worth have been minority students for six out of the last eight years, MacLachlan said. Student Services has hired bilingual staff members.

"PBCC offers a high quality education at a much lower cost than universities," MacLachlan said. "The college also attracts students by offering smaller, more personal classes rather than large university-style lecture classes. I think PBCC is a better reflection of the county population than other higher education institutions."



Glades Central Chorus begins concert series... Students are from left to right bottom row are: Dernaine Arnett, Yerie Lee, Rashanda Davis, Lomiekae Devose, Derrick Johnson, Johnnika Gayle, Willie Mann, LaToya Arnett and John Wilson. Middle row from left to right are: Marie Jean, Denesha Jones, Sonja Mandorle, Waneshia L. Cameron, Cindretta Pope Kaja Jernigan, Lisette Ramirez, Felisa Hicks and Frank Millner. Top row from left to right are: Music Director Zarak Lawson, Harold Johnson, Hernisha McCoy, Tocarra Burroughs, Tocarra Curry, Amanda Jones, Loveline St. Hilaire and Shawn Smith.

Superior Glades Central Chorus Begins Stellar School Year

Having won superior ratings in State of Florida Competitions two of the last three years, the Glades Central High School Chorus has begun this school year with a new performance agenda.

This school year, the GCHS Chorus will participate in a national competition of the first time in the organization's history.

"We've won district and state competitions every year, said Mr. Zarak Lawson, music instructor and chorus director.

"Now it's time for us to test our talent in a larger arena. The students are excited about this new challenge and I believe they will excel."

In May, the GCHS Chorus

will be traveling to Virginia

Beach, Virginia to compete

with high school choruses from

throughout the country.

Sunday, Nov. 14 however, their

focus will be on entertaining

their community.

The community is invited to attend and enjoy an Inspirational Concert at 4 p.m.

in the Glades Central Auditorium. The concert featuring cameo performances by master vocalists and musicians from the surrounding communities will also present the famed Street Beat singers.

Proceeds from the series of the concerts benefit the organization's travel expenses for the Virginia trip.

For additional information or if you would like to help students with expenses contact Zarak Lawson at 993-4403

Anita Perkins (L) and Wikeman Lebrun (R) are the number one runners at Glades Central High School. The two have competed over the school year, setting state and national track events.

Recently Anita ranked 5th at the Central Conference Championships held at Okeechobee Park and finished 3rd in the Clewiston Elks International. She finished 11th at the County Championships where over 20 schools in Palm Beach County participated.

Wikeman ran a personal record of 17 minutes 51 seconds and finished 9th at the track meet.

The community is invited to attend and enjoy an Inspirational Concert at 4 p.m.



Several teachers, parents and residents from Pahokee showed up Thursday night for "Taking the Lead," a town hall meeting sponsored by WPBF-TV channel 25 at Pahokee Middle/Senior High School. Schools for the Glades area set up booths showcasing their schools and what they had to offer students. After the showcase, a forum was held in the school auditorium with representatives of the Palm Beach County School District.



Schools on display... Parents were able to look at the many classes offered at local schools during the WPBF-TV Channel 25 "Taking the Lead" program held at Pahokee Middle/Senior High School.

"Take your parents to school Week"

The School District of

Palm Beach County will be celebrating its Annual American Education Week by taking part in "Take your parents to school Week" Nov.

15-20.

They will also be celebrating National Parent Involvement Day on Nov. 18. They are asking parents to come and spend one or more

hours with their child or children at school. If you have any questions or concerns you may contact Irma Woods at School of Choice at 924-6470.

Glades Day Gator Tales



Glades Day School's sports program received a big boost this past week with three of the teams earning spots in the state's playoff system.

We wish them the best of luck at regionals!

Students have been excited this week as they got the chance to shed their uniforms and don costumes for homecoming's Dress-Up Days, which will culminate with Spirit Day on Friday.

Congratulations, guys! They will finish the regular season this week when they play King's Academy at home, which also happens to be the homecoming game.

Come on out and watch the action! Game time is 7:30 p.m.

GDS is also proud of both the boys' and girls' cross country teams for their great showing at the district tournament.

In only their first year of existence, both teams placed fifth in their divisions, earning the right to advance to regional competition this Saturday in Orlando.

Juniors Peggy Altman and Daniel Veale came in 13th and 15th place in their respective divisions, and Coach Angie Lohmann reports that

almost every runner beat his/her own personal time for the year.

Due to Hurricane Irene, there is a greater need this year.

We understand many of the local food pantries are empty, or nearly empty.

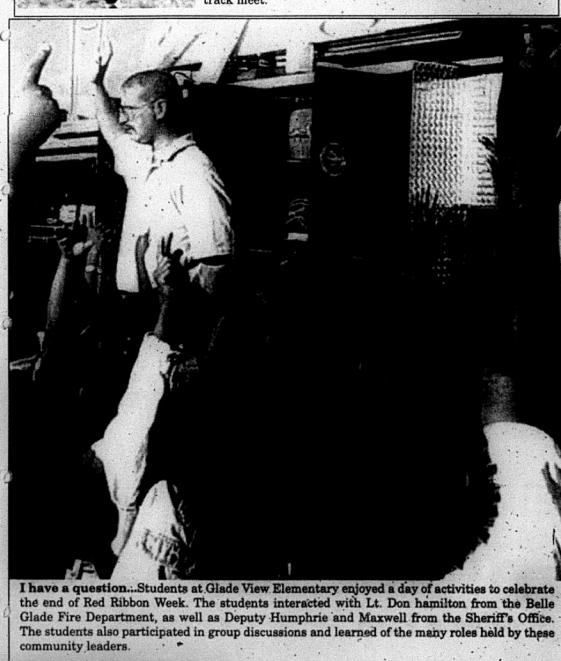
Looks like this time the ones in the Glades are in real need!

They are asking faculty and students to help by bringing any nonperishable food items, toiletries, baby items or paper goods to their first period class before next Friday, Nov. 19.

ATTENTION, PARENTS!

Did you remember to order your child's 2000 yearbook? Sales actually ended 11/10, but yearbook adviser Karen Hansford is extending it to this Friday, Nov. 12, for those who forgot to order one.

You may still do so by sending the money with your child to her in the high school office Friday morning. The cost is \$40 for underclassmen; \$42 for seniors. Remember fads and fashions come and go, but THE YEARBOOK CONTAINS MEMORIES OF A LIFETIME!



I have a question... Students at Glade View Elementary enjoyed a day of activities to celebrate the end of Red Ribbon Week. The students interacted with Lt. Don Hamilton from the Belle Glade Fire Department, as well as Deputy Humphrie and Maxwell from the Sheriff's Office. The students also participated in group discussions and learned of the many roles held by these community leaders.

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Pahokee Middle/Senior High School Homecoming



Pahokee High School Varsity Cheerleaders



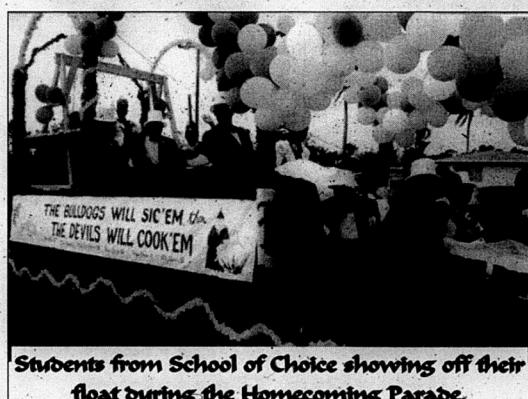
Miss Pahokee High School Delicious Martin
Mr. Pahokee High School Jarvis Gulley



Varsity Team Sweetheart
Charly Wilson



Miss Homecoming
Latoya Barnes



Students from School of Choice showing off their float during the Homecoming Parade.



Miss Eighth Grade Dynisha Warren (L) Miss Freshman Sylvia Johnson (C) and Miss Seventh Grade Emily Cruz (R)



Miss Junior
Natalee Pearl
(L) and Miss
Sophomore
LaShondra
Scott (R)



Mr. and Miss Pahokee High School riding on the float during the Homecoming Parade

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Glades Central High School Homecoming and Coronation



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Miss Glades Central Shaneka Bryant
Mr. Glades Central Clarence Laws



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Gladys Cameron



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